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to minimize risks from fraud and to report fraud or possible fraud to FHFA in accordance with this regulation.

# § 1233.5 Protection from liability for reports.

As provided by section 1379E of the Safety and Soundness Act (12 U.S.C. 4642(b)), a regulated entity that, in good faith, submits a report pursuant to this part, and any entity-affiliated party, that, in good faith, submits or requires a person to submit a report pursuant to this part, shall not be liable to any person under any provision of law or regulation, any constitution, law, or regulation of any State or political subdivision of any State, or under any contract or other legally enforceable agreement (including any arbitration agreement) for such report, or for any failure to provide notice of such report to the person who is the subject of such report, or any other persons identified in the report.

## § 1233.6 Supervisory action.

Failure by a regulated entity to comply with this part may subject the regulated entity or the board members, officers, or employees thereof to supervisory action by FHFA, including but not limited to, cease-and-desist proceedings and civil money penalties.

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### § 1235.1 Purpose and scope.

The purpose of this part is to set forth minimum requirements for a record retention program for each regulated entity and the Office of Finance.

The requirements are intended to further prudent management as well as to ensure that complete and accurate records of each regulated entity and the Office of Finance are readily accessible to FHFA.

#### § 1235.2 Definitions.

For purposes of this part, the term— Director means the Director of FHFA, or his or her designee.

Electronic record means a record created, generated, communicated, or stored by electronic means.

*E-mail* means a document created or received on a computer network for transmitting messages electronically, and any attachments which may be transmitted with the document.

*Employee* means any officer or employee of a regulated entity or the Office of Finance.

Federal Home Loan Bank means a Bank established under the Federal Home Loan Bank Act; the term "Federal Home Loan Banks" means, collectively, all the Federal Home Loan Banks.

FHFA means the Federal Housing Finance Agency.

Financing Corporation means the entity established by the Competitive Equality Banking Act of 1987, as a mixed-ownership government corporation whose purpose is to function as a financing vehicle for the Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corporation. The Financing Corporation has a board of directors consisting of the managing director of the Office of Finance and two Federal Home Loan Bank presidents.

Office of Finance means the Office of Finance of the Federal Home Loan Bank System.

Record means any information, whether generated internally or received from outside sources by a regulated entity or the Office of Finance, related to the conduct of the business of a regulated entity or the Office of Finance (which business, in the case of the Office of Finance, shall include any functions performed with respect to the Financing Corporation) or to legal or regulatory requirements, regardless of the following—